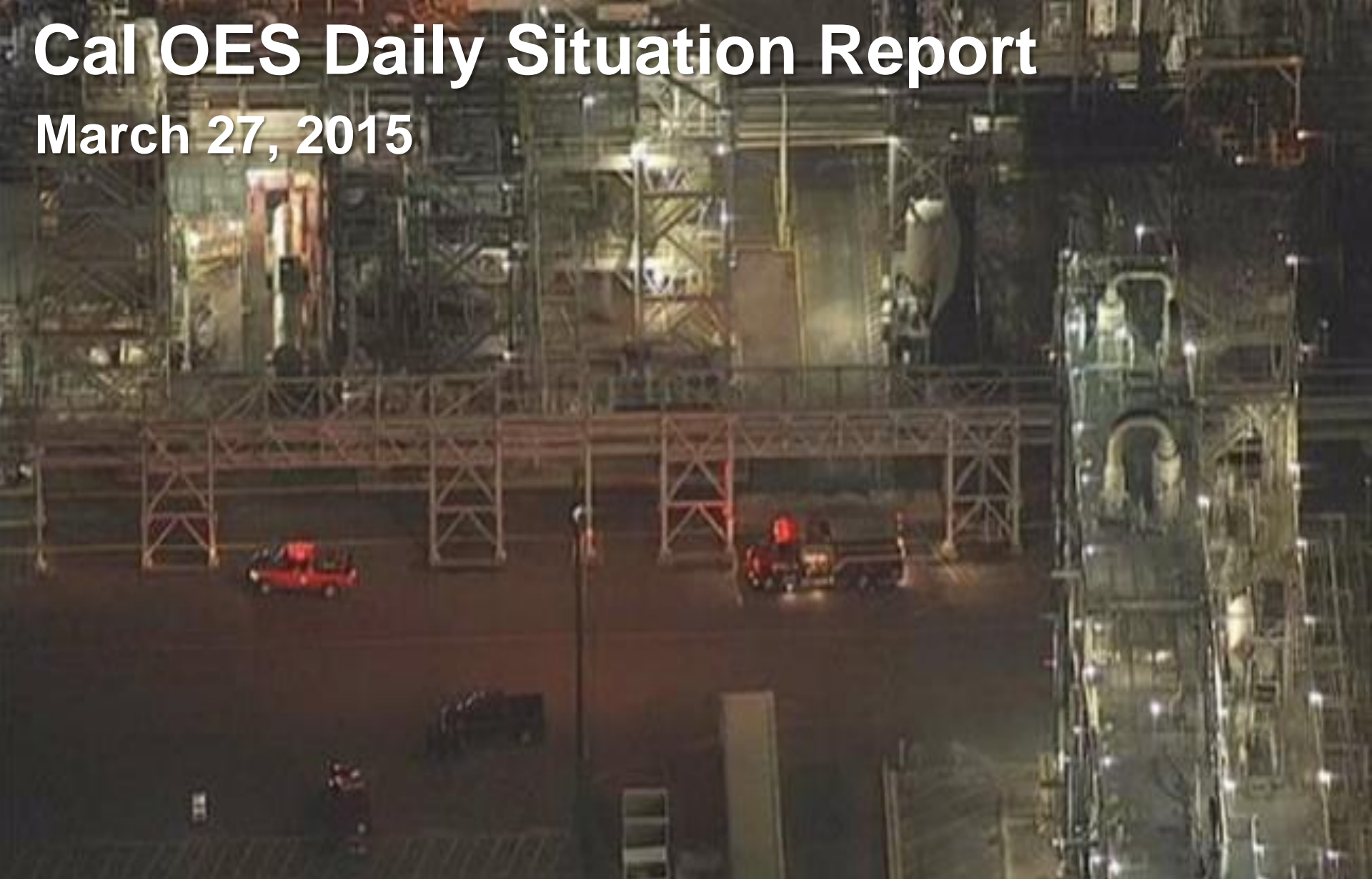


Cal OES Daily Situation Report

March 27, 2015



Fire trucks arrive at Dow Chemical Plant in Pittsburg , Contra Costa County after a chemical release on 03/27/15.
Photo Credit: NBC Bay Area



Cal OES
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Duty Officer	
EDO	Mitch Medigovich
CSWC Watch Officer	Rachel Sierer Wooden (Day), Chuck Bickinella (Night)
FDO	Ken Hood
LDO	Paul Walters
IDO	Kimberly Lorenz
CDO	Nancy Smith
SDO	Joanne Phillips
PIO	Brad Alexander
TDO	Jeffrey Howell
IT	Dominick Pedicino
EQTP	Mark Johnson
Tribal Liaison POC	Denise Shemenski
Access and Functional Needs POC	Dwight Bateman and Grace Koch

National Terrorism Advisory System Current Alerts



Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

SPILL: 15-1730, Chemical Release, Dow Chemical, Pittsburg, Contra Costa County

- On 03/27/15 at 0352 hours the California State Warning Center received a report indicating a vapor release of Methylene Chloride greater than 1,000 pounds at Dow Chemical. SPILL: 15-1730.
- The California State Warning Center made notification to the following Agencies: Department of Fish and Wildlife, State Lands Commission, Regional Water Quality Control Board, US EPA, US Coast Guard, US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Air Resources Board, San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC).
- The release was due to the over pressurization of a vessel and was to the atmosphere.
- At 0524 hours, Contra Costa County called to advise that the release traveled over a wetlands as a vapor. Contra Costa County requested that the CSWC contact Fish and Wildlife; positive contact was made.
- A Public Health Advisory was issued for Pittsburg and Antioch, but per Contra Costa County alerting page the Advisory was lifted.
- A Dow Chemical plant spokesperson advised, "we're in cleanup mode." There were no injuries, no fire, all the emergency response personnel acted accordingly and the situation is under control."

4.2 Earthquake, Coalinga, Fresno County

- At 0630 hours on 03/27/15, a verified 4.2M earthquake (EQ) occurred 6 miles north of Coalinga, Fresno County.
- Per the Fresno County Warning Point, the EQ was not felt and there are no reports of damage or injury.
- Per the Department of Water Resources at 0700 hours on 03/27/15, they will be inspecting aqueducts in Fresno County as a result of the EQ.

Tsunami Preparedness Week 2015

- The Governor has proclaimed March 22 – 28, 2015 Tsunami Preparedness Week. During the last full week of March the state supports activities and outreach in coastal counties and communities.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

- No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

- A Proclamation continuance was received from Marin County.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

A weakening front will generate a push of moisture and perhaps some light showers tonight north of Mendocino County. High pressure will rebuild Saturday and Sunday for a return of dry weather.

Medford Weather:

Record highs will be possible across northern California today. A cold front approaching today will yield another mild day, with chance of showers and possible thunderstorms along or near the Trinity Alps this afternoon and evening. It will be dry and mild this weekend with temperatures 5-15 degrees above normal under intervals of high clouds. The area will be on the southern edge of the storm track next week with a gradual cooling trend back to near normal temperatures by the end of the week.

Reno Weather:

Breezy, warm and dry conditions are on tap for this afternoon across northeast California and western Nevada as low pressure approaches the Pacific Northwest coast. The weak low pressure will bring slightly cooler temperatures for the weekend into early next week although highs will remain well above normal.

San Francisco Weather:

A return of coastal fog and light onshore flow will mean cooler temperatures today, especially near the coast. Onshore flow will weaken on Saturday, and result in mostly clear skies and warming temperatures for Sunday. Cooler temperatures are then expected beginning on Monday. Dry weather to persist through the forecast period.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Mainly warm and dry weather will continue into next week for the majority of the area. Weak systems may bring a few showers to the mountains this weekend into early next week.

Hanford Weather:

High pressure will persist over the region providing dry weather and keeping temperatures well above normal. A weak Pacific disturbance will move in over the weekend and bring slight cooling and breezy conditions along with a threat of showers and thunderstorms over the sierra crest. Temperatures will remain several degrees above normal through the weekend and into next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

It will be a little cooler today with more cooling on Saturday. Sunday is expected to be the coolest day, with little change through the middle of next week. Even with the cooling trend, temperatures will still remain above the seasonal averages.

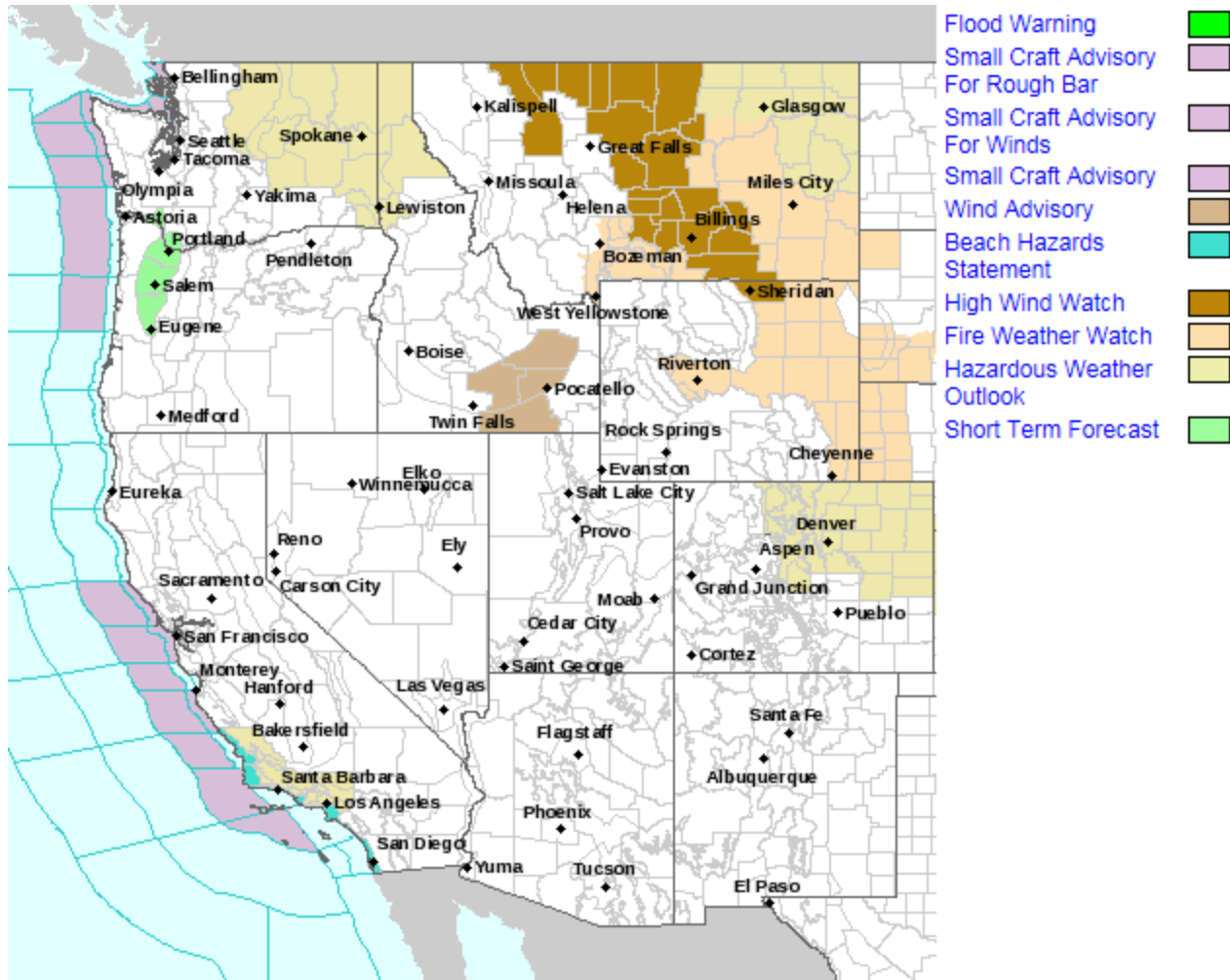
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

High pressure aloft over California will bring another unseasonably warm day today, though it will be a little bit cooler near the coast due to developing onshore flow. The cooling will spread inland over the weekend, and marine layer clouds will return to coastal areas. High pressure will rebuild over the region Monday with some warming, followed by slight cooling towards mid next week.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure aloft will result in a sunny and warm day today. Near record high temperatures are expected over the weekend. A weak system will pass by across the area resulting in some clouds and possibly trigger a stray shower in the southern Sierra. Otherwise warm and dry conditions are expected to continue through the middle of next week.

STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Mono County

- Site sampling and hazardous materials recovery of the affected properties began 03/14/15. Cal Recycle began debris removal operations 03/23/15.
- Two Recovery personnel have deployed to Mono County to assist with debris removal operations.
- An Applicant's Briefing will be held on 04/03/15 at 1300 hours, at the Lee Vining Community Center, to discuss the eligibility and guidelines of the CDAA program.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a monthly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Cal OES Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls continue to occur on a bi-weekly basis.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.